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A.—(*a*) The High School was started in July 1917.

(*b*) Rs. 35,217.

(*c*) The total subsidy paid towards the maintenance of the school from 1917–18 to 1927–28 was Rs. 4,727.

Mr. A. KALESWARA RAO :—" May I know, Sir, whether the Government pay any proportion of the losses incurred by the municipality ? "

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" There is no question of proportion."

Mr. A. KALESWARA RAO :—" May I know on what principle the subsidy is paid ? "

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" The amount of subsidy was settled on a three-year basis and on that basis it is being paid."

Teaching of horticulture in Government and local board schools.

* 1117 *Q.*—Mr. K. V. R. SWAMI : Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether horticulture is taught in any of the schools under the management of the Government and local bodies ;

(*b*) if so, in which of the schools ; and

(*c*) if the information is not available whether the Government will call for the same ?

A.—So far as the Government are aware horticulture is taught as a subject of manual training in the Government Training School for masters, Mangalore and in the Municipal High School, Ootacamund. It is also understood that some secondary schools have gardens which are used in connexion with the teaching of elementary science.

Agricultural instruction in elementary and secondary schools.

* 1118 *Q.*—Mr. K. V. R. SWAMI : Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the report of the Committee appointed by the Director of Public Instruction to work out detailed proposals for the teaching of elementary agriculture in select higher elementary and secondary schools has now been received ;

(*b*) whether the same will be placed on the Council table ; and

(*c*) what action, if any, the Government propose to take in the matter ?

A.—(*a*), (*b*) & (*c*) The report of the Committee has not yet been received.

Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO :—" May I know from the hon. the Minister, when the report was called for ? "

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" Which report ? "

Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO :—" The report referred to in the answer."

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" Which clause of the answer ? "

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Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO :—" To all the 3 clauses of the question the answer is that 'The report of the Committee has not yet been received'."

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" The Committee has not as yet submitted its report."

Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO :—" How long ago was it that the report was asked for on the subject ?"

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" Eighteen months ago."

Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO :—" May I know how long it will take to get the report ? "

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" One of the members of the Committee was taken away on deputation by the Government of India, and another member has been appointed in his place, and the Committee is considering the question."

Mr. A. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR :—" Does the appointment go by office or by name ? "

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" The appointment was of Mr. Statham by name."

Establishment of a Technological College at Vizagapatam.

* 1119 Q.—Mr. P. C. VENKATAPATI RAJU : Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) the action taken by the Government on the unanimous resolution of the Andhra University Senate recommending the establishment of a Technological College at Vizagapatam immediately ;

(*b*) whether the Government propose to establish one ; and

(*c*) if so, when ?

A.—(*a*), (*b*) & (*c*) It is not proposed to take any action immediately on the Senate's resolution. The schemes relating to the establishment of a Teachers' college, an Honours college in Arts and Science and a Science Institute are first to be taken up and the other schemes of development are to be deferred for the present.

Proposals for converting the Commercial and Engineering schools at Vizagapatam into Colleges.

* 1120 Q.—Mr. P. C. VENKATAPATI RAJU : Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there are any proposals for converting the Engineering school and Commercial school at Vizagapatam into Colleges ; and

(*b*) if so, when the Government propose to do so ?

A.—(*a*) & (*b*) No such proposals are now under the consideration of Government.